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SUBJECT: US-UK-USSR CONSULTATIONS ON NPT ADHERENCE

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- 1. DURING VISIT OF ACDA OFFICER FLOWEREE AUG 16,
 QUESTION OF TRILATERAL US-UK-USSR TALKS IN VIENNA IN
 SEPTEMBER ON JOINT EFFORTS TO INCREASE ADHERENCE TO NPT
 WAS DISCUSSED WITH FCO OFFICIALS. FLOWEREE SAID U.S.
 HAD NOT YET COME TO A DECISION HOW TO RESPOND TO SOVIET
 SUGGESTION. U.S. WAS IN PRINCIPLE INTERESTED IN GETTING
 THE SOVIETS ACTIVE IN ENCOURAGING FURTHER NPT ADHERENCE
 AND WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN BRITISH THINKING.
- 2. FCO OFFICER (BURNS) REPLIED THAT UK IS ALSO ANXIOUS TO GET SOVIETS WORKING ON ADHERENCE TO NPT BY COUNTRIES WITH WHOM THE USSR HAS INFLUENCE. UK IS PLANNING TO RESPOND POSITIVELY TO SOVIET INVITATION CONFIDENTIAL

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AND WOULD BE REPRESENTED BY CHRISTOPHER MALLABY, HEAD OF ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT DEPT, FCO, ASSISTED BY R.J. ALSTON, HEAD OF JOINT NUCLEAR UNIT. THEY WOULD OF COURSE BE INTERESTED IN U.S. INTENTIONS BEFORE FIRMING UP THEIR PLANS.

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